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BROOKS ANNOUNCES PROJECTS APPROVED BY COMIDA

Projects Include Strong Museum Expansion

Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks** announced that the County of Monroe Industrial Development Agency (COMIDA) today approved incentives for 13 economic development projects.

"These projects represent economic growth in our community. The incentives available through COMIDA are an important part of Monroe County's efforts to help local companies expand and create new jobs," Brooks. "These projects are not only contributing to the vibrancy of our economy, but also providing services for residents and enhancing our quality of life."

The following project applications were approved by COMIDA:

- **Strong Museum** (Tax-exempt civic facility bond)
One Manhattan Square
Rochester, New York 14607

Strong Museum, one of the nation's top children's museums, is undergoing a \$33 million expansion at its Manhattan Square site in downtown Rochester. The project will provide additional exhibition and support space to the existing museum. It will also include the expansion of the existing parking lot and improved visitor access. The project will impact 88 existing full-time jobs and result in the creation of 15 full-time jobs within three years of project completion.

- **Gastroenterology Group of Rochester** (EquiPlus)
125 Lattimore Road
Rochester, New York 14620

The medical group will be purchasing new computer equipment and updating their phone system, and will purchasing new equipment when they move to larger offices at 919 Westfall Road in the Spring of 2005. The project will impact 12 existing full-time jobs and result in the creation of at least two full-time jobs within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the equipment purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Elmwood Dental Group** (EquiPlus)
1950 Clinton Avenue South
Rochester, New York 14618

The applicant is a dental implant and oral reconstruction center that is renovating and expanding their office at 1950 Clinton Avenue South in the City of Rochester. The company currently employs 24 within Monroe County, and will be creating three new full-time jobs within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the equipment purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Upstate Roofing, Inc.** (EquiPlus)
1300 Brighton Henrietta Townline Road
Rochester, New York 14623

Upstate Roofing, Inc., founded in 1973, installs, maintains and repairs complex commercial roofing systems. Upstate will be replacing four fleet vehicles. Upstate currently employs 50 within Monroe County and will be creating two new full-time jobs within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the purchase through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Ernest R. Kimball, Inc.** (EquiPlus)
1807 Trebor Road
Webster, New York 14580

Ernest R. Kimball, Inc. was started in 1985 and specializes in hauling for local deliveries of earth products and asphalt. The company will be purchasing a 2005 Freightliner Dump Truck. The company has five full-time employees and one new full-time job will be created within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Woods Oviatt Gilman** (EquiPlus)
700 Crossroads Building, 2 State Street
Rochester, New York 14614

Woods Oviatt Gilman is a local law firm of 125 employees which traces its roots back to 1852. Woods Oviatt has attorneys experienced in all of the traditional areas of general business law. The firm is making a significant upgrade to its computer network system and will be purchasing new computers, servers, related hardware and software. Woods Oviatt expects to create two new jobs over the next year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate and GreatRebate on the equipment purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Dakksco Pipeline Corp.** (EquiPlus)
999 Beahan Road
Rochester, New York 14624

Dakksco Pipeline Corp. is a utility contractor that incorporated in May 2002 and specializes in water and sewer installation as well as pump stations and wet wells. Dakksco will be investing in a Vermeer directional drill and Peterbilt flatbed truck. Dakksco has four full-time employees and one new full-time employee will be created within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Comfort Care Family Dental Group** (EquiPlus)
2024 W. Henrietta Road
Rochester, New York 14623

The applicant is a general dentistry practice that is renovating and expanding their office in Brighton Campus Park in the Town of Brighton. The company currently employs eight within Monroe County, and will be creating two new full-time jobs within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on equipment purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Lone Star Recreation, Inc.** (Sale/leaseback)
557 East Ridge Road
Rochester, New York 14621

The applicant is proposing to renovate and equip a 40,000 square foot facility at 557 E. Ridge Road. The facility was formerly a tennis club and skate park. The renovations include a start-of-the-art indoor turf system and new batting cages. The project is projected to create six full-time jobs within three years.

- **Harding's Towing II, Inc.** (EquiPlus)
90 Centre Drive
Rochester, New York 14623

Harding's Towing II, Inc. was started in 1974 and is a towing and road service company. The company will be purchasing four tow trucks. The company has seven full-time employees and one new full-time employee will be created within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **Green Meadows-Rochester, LLC** (Sale/leaseback)
D&W Diesel, Inc.
20 Saginaw Drive
Rochester, New York 14623

D&W Diesel repairs, manufactures and distributes diesel engine components, performance engine products, tank truck equipment, industrial bulk transfer equipment and hose products. D&W Diesel, located in Rochester since 1984, is experiencing continued and steady growth, creating the need for additional space. The project will expand their facility on Saginaw Drive. The company currently employs nine within Monroe County, and will be creating four new full-time jobs over the next three years.

- **Ontario Exteriors** (EquiPlus)
388 Mason Road
Fairport, New York 14450

Ontario Exteriors was incorporated in 1995 and performs a variety of exterior contracting services, including roofing, siding, and painting. Ontario Exteriors will be moving to a new facility located at 1350 Fairport Road and investing in new equipment and improvements to the facility. The company has 48 full-time employees and two new full-time employees will be created within one year. The company has been approved for a GreatRate on the purchases through the Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation.

- **85 Allen LLC** (Sale/leaseback)
1 South Washington Street, #200
Rochester, New York 14614

The applicant proposes to purchase and renovate an approximately 78,000 square foot vacant building located at 85 Allen Street in downtown Rochester. The seven-story building will be redeveloped into a mixed-use facility with three floors of commercial space and four floors of residence space. Buckingham Properties, a related real estate development company presently located at 1 South Washington Street, will be the first tenant. 85 Allen Street will become Buckingham Properties' new headquarters address and its 1 South Washington Street space will be re-leased. The project will impact 28 full-time jobs and result in the creation 15 full-time jobs within three years of project completion. The project is located within the City of Rochester's Empire Zone.

COMIDA is a not-for-profit, public benefit corporation and governmental agency. Its purpose is to encourage established businesses to expand locally, to attract new business to the area, and to help businesses create and retain jobs.

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